32d CONGRESS, 1st Session.

H. R. 260.

[No Report.]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

May 17, 1852.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

Mr. RICHARDSON, from the Committee on Territories reported the following bill:

A BILL

To amend an act entitled "An act to establish the Territorial Government of Oregon," approved August fourteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-
- 2 sentatives of the United States of America in Congress
- 3 assembled, That the Legislative Assembly of the Terri-
- 4 tory of Oregon be, and hereby are authorized, in all cases
- 5 where the sixteen or thirty-six sections, or any part thereof,
- 6 shall be taken and occupied under the law making dona-
- 7 tions of land to actual settlers, or otherwise to cause the
- 8 county commissioners of the several counties in said Ter-
- 9 ritory, or such other officer or officers as they shall direct,
- 10 to select, in lieu thereof, an equal quantity of any unoccu-
- 11 pied land, in sections, or fractional sections, as the case
- 12 may be.

1 Sect. 2. And be it further enacted, That when se-2 lections are made in pursuance of the provisions of the 3 first section of this act, said lands so selected, and their 4 proceeds, shall be forever inviolably set apart for the ben-

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efit of common schools.